



“Be Inspired & Achieve Together”

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Dear Parent/Carer

The Government’s Pupil Premium: Free School Meals and Increasing Funding in our School

Arnold Hill Spencer Academy receives funding via the Local Authority and a variety of other sources to support all of our young people in school. The amount of funding allocated to our school is determined by many different factors, one of the factors which influences this funding is the number of students who are eligible and claim for Free School Meals.

In the Gedling area approximately 11% of students are eligible and claim for Free School Meals. A significant number of students at Arnold Hill qualify for Free School Meals but their families do not claim for the money to which they are entitled.

When families who qualify for free school meals do not claim then both the family and school miss out on additional funding which would benefit many students in school. The extra money in this case would be in the region of an additional £1,000 per student.

If more of our parents claimed for Free School Meals then we would receive more funding to increase our provision for our students. This is an opportunity for parents to help increase the funding that comes into their child’s school.

When paying for food at school all students use our biometric cashless payment system. The benefit of all students using this system is that no student can be identified by others as being on Free School Meals.

I am writing to encourage anyone who thinks they may qualify for Free School Meals to make an application now.

To check your eligibility please visit -
[Notts County Council - Free School Meals and Milk](#)

Yours faithfully

Matt Robertson
Principal